

# MASS AVE BETTER BIKE PROJECT

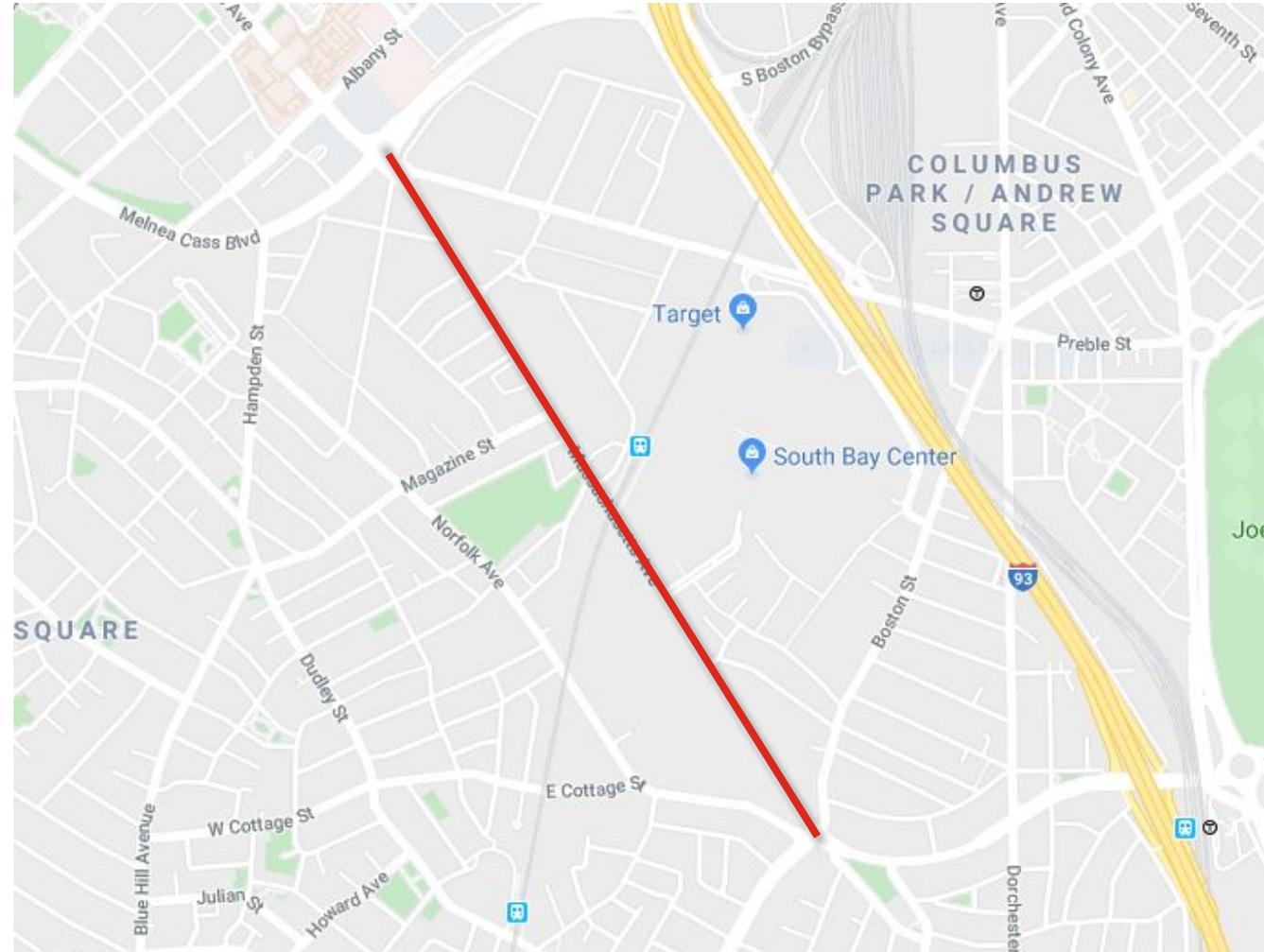


*Meeting with Newmarket  
Business Association*

*February 10, 2020*

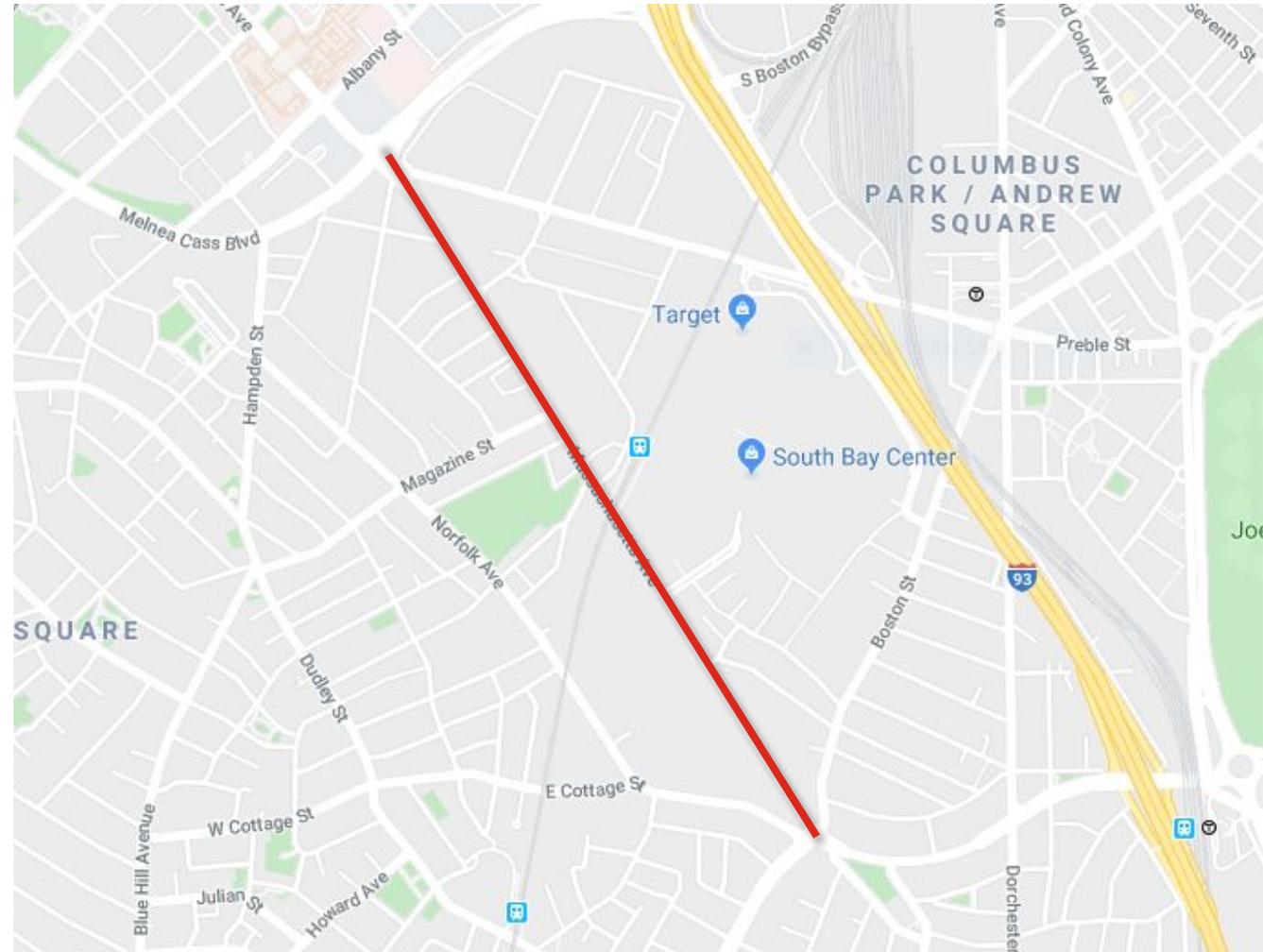
# PROJECT EXTENTS

- Massachusetts Avenue from Melnea Cass Boulevard to Columbia Road
- Key missing link in bike network (current and planned)
  - Mass Ave “north”
  - Melnea Cass
  - Columbia Rd
  - Southamptn “Green Links”



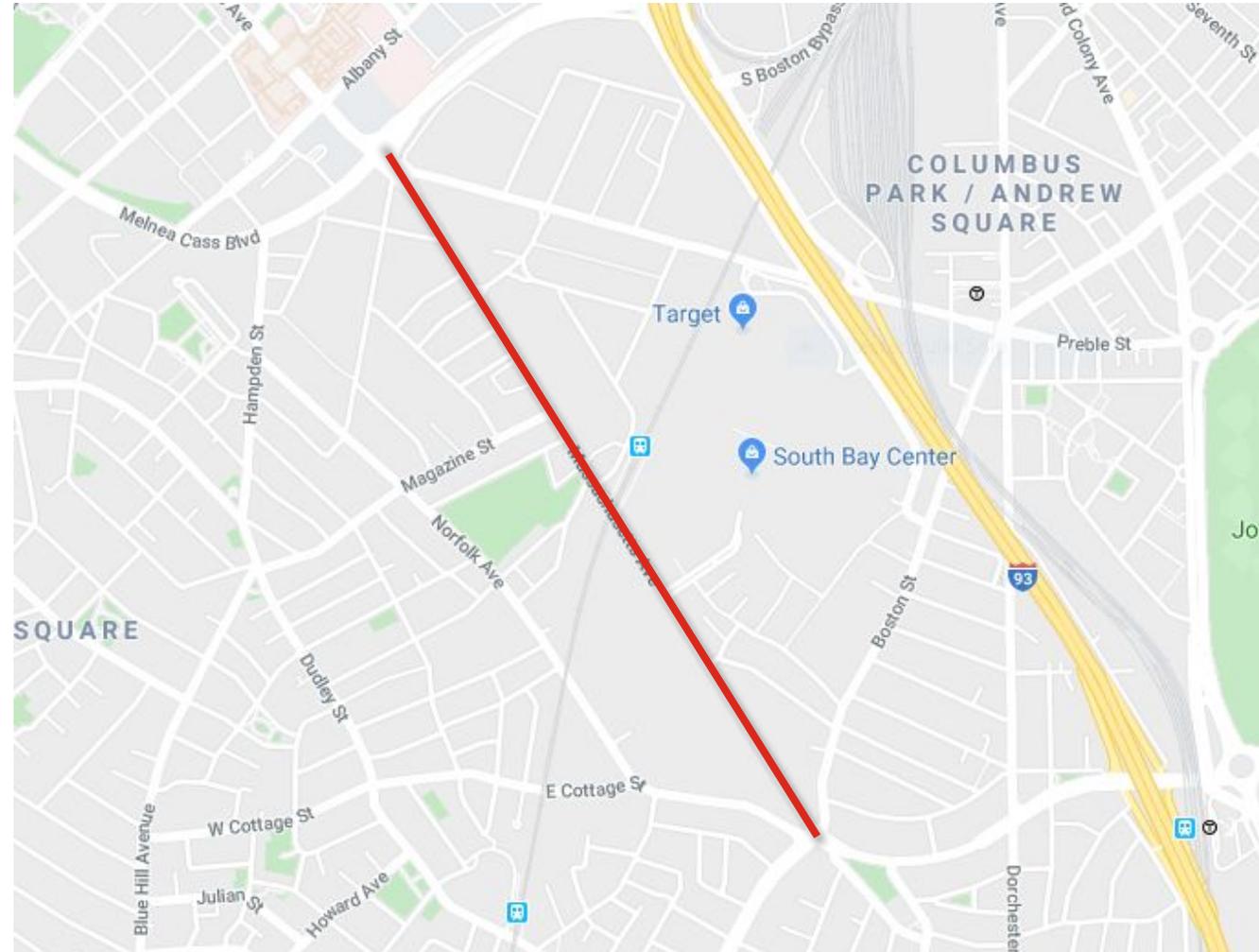
# SCOPE OF WORK

- ▶ Provide high-comfort bike facilities
- ▶ Some construction expected
  - Bus stops, etc.
- ▶ Signals
- ▶ Pavement markings, signs
- ▶ Repaving (as needed)



# FUTURE WORK NEEDED (“PHASE 2”)

- ▶ *Sidewalk installation, replacement*
  - *Predominantly between Gerard and Magazine*
  - *Ramps and accessible bus stops*
- ▶ *Potential new signal(s)*
  - *Theo Glynn*
  - *Clapp*



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## **Completed:**

- ▶ *Walks/rides of corridor*
  - *Flyered businesses and street poles*
- ▶ *Spread the word*
  - *Civic association meetings*
  - *Newmarket Business Association*
  - *1010 Mass Ave: Boston Public Health Commission, Facilities, Property*
- ▶ *1:1 conversations with businesses*
- ▶ *Business walk*

## *Businesses visited:*

- *Di Pierro Construction*
- *Roundhouse Suites*
- *Ace Plumbing*
- *South Bay Auto Body*
- *Suffolk Construction*
- *Victory Programs*
- *Dorchester Brewing Co.*

# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

## Next steps:

- ▶ *Additional outreach to businesses and organizations*
- ▶ *Open house series (March)*
  - *1010 Mass Ave (TBD)*
  - *Plumbers & Gasfitters Local 12*
    - *Mon, 3/23 6:30–8:00 PM*
    - *Wed, 3/25 6:30–8:00 PM*
    - *Sat, 3/28 2:30–4:00 PM*
- ▶ *PLAN Newmarket (ongoing)*

## *Additional outreach to:*

- *Morgan Services*
- *Standard Electric*
- *Kirin Produce*
- *Roxbury Youthworks*
- *Cafe 1010*
- *TARTTS Day Care Centers*
- *Lenox Junk*
- *Advance Auto Parts*
- *Edens*
- *CERO cooperative*

# CONCEPT DESIGN

# OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- One-way pair of separated bike lanes*
- Two-way separated bike lane on the east side*
- Two-way separated bike lane on the west side*

# SUMMARY

- ▶ *Prefer two-way separated bike lane on the west side*
- ▶ *Provide in-lane southbound bus stops*
  - *Accessible boarding islands*
  - *“Far side” locations likely*
- ▶ *Improve flow with likely intersection changes:*
  - *Northbound left turn at Magazine*
  - *Northbound left turn pocket at Newmarket Square*
  - *Restriction on southbound lefts into South Bay until Allstate*
  - *Move southbound bus stop at Columbia Rd*

# WE ARE LOOKING INTO NOW

- ▶ *Potential for new bus stops and crosswalk near Stop & Shop*
- ▶ *On-street parking south of Allstate Rd*
  - *Pending traffic analysis*
  - *Generally, parking restrictions benefit traffic conditions, including for MBTA buses*

# DISCUSSION

- ▶ *Is there anything else you'd suggest we look into?*
- ▶ *Are there any businesses or other stakeholders we're missing?*
- ▶ *How do you recommend we publicize the Open House series?*
- ▶ *Anything else?*